

SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STANDING HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2017-2-E ORDER NO. 2018-51-H

APRIL 26, 2018

Standing Hearing Officer: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs for South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request of Counsel for General Electric International, Inc. ("GEII") for an Extension of Time from April 27, 2018 until and including August 25, 2018, to connect its solar facilities to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G")

STANDING HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

Counsel for GEII requests an extension of time from April 27, 2018 until and including August 25, 2018 to connect its solar facilities at Trane U.S. Inc.'s facility to South Carolina Electric and Gas Company's ("SCE&G's") system under a Bill Credit Agreement ("BCA"). Counsel further notes that, as a similarly situated entity to entities which have already been granted such relief, GEII requests the same relief, even though it is possible that the work will be completed by April 27, 2018. SCE&G does not object to the extension.

The Commission had previously acted to grant interested parties time to implement solar development. Commission Order No. 2017-246 allowed customers already approved by SCE&G to participate in the Bill Credit Agreement for Renewable Energy Facilities Program an additional twelve (12) months to successfully interconnect infrastructure facilities to SCE&G's system. SCE&G's customers currently have until April 27, 2018, to interconnect with SCE&G. After consideration of the reasoning set out by counsel for GEII, the request for extension is hereby granted. Clearly, GEII is in circumstances similar to those that the Commission considered in the Solbright Energy Order, Order No. 2018-189, and to the circumstances found in Order No. 2018-39-H. Further, SCE&G consents to the requested extension. Accordingly, the extension requested by GEII from April 27, 2018, until and including August 25, 2018 to connect to SCE&G is granted.